

ABSTRACT

A tethering system according to the present invention
5 comprises a housing having front and back surfaces and a
tether internal to the housing. A spring is also internal
to the housing and arranged to allow the tether to be
extended from the tether housing against the force of the
spring, with the spring urging the tether to retract into
10 the housing. A mounting apparatus is included on the back
surface of the tether housing and is arranged to mount the
tether housing to a person. A holstering system is included
on the front surface of the tether housing and arranged to
allow a personal device to be mounted to the tether housing
15 with the tether attached to the personal device. The tether
is extendable to allow use of the personal device by the
person. The spring and tether also preventing the personal
device from falling to the ground.